



Best Beginnings State Advisory Council

June 5, 2014 – 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Holiday Inn Ballroom – Last Chance Gulch
Helena, Montana

MISSION

The Best Beginnings Advisory Council's strategic goal is to ensure Montana has a comprehensive, coordinated, early childhood system that provides a governance structure and leads to strong collaboration in order to best meet the needs of Montana's youngest citizens.

AGENDA

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| 8:30-8:45 | Welcome and Introductions
Larry Wilkerson, Best Beginnings Advisory Council Coordinator |
| 8:45-9:30 | Updates from the Governor's Office
Siri Smilie, Communities and Safety Policy Advisor for Governor Bullock
Shannon O' Brien, Education Policy Advisor for Governor Bullock
Tara Ferriter-Smith, Early Reading First Specialist, Office of Public Instruction |
| 9:30-10:00 | State Advisory Council Review
Patty Butler, Early Childhood Services Bureau Chief
Larry Wilkerson, Best Beginnings Advisory Council Coordinator |
| 10:00-10:15 | Break |
| 10:15-11:00 | State Advisory Council Discussion
Sarah Corbally, Child and Family Services Division Administrator
Patty Butler, Early Childhood Services Bureau Chief |
| 11:00-12:00 | Committee/Small Group Work – BBAC Structure and Organization Discussion |
| 12:00-1:00 | Lunch
Best Beginnings Toolkit presentation, Larry Wilkerson |
| 1:00-2:00 | Full Council Discussion – Recommendations for agency order to Governor's Office |
| 2:00-2:30 | Regional Referral and Service Coordination Meeting Update
Dianna Frick, Maternal and Early Childhood Home Visiting
Michele Cushman, Maternal and Early Childhood Home Visiting
Wendy Studt, Part C
Caitlin Jensen, Child and Family Services Division
Larry Wilkerson, Best Beginnings Advisory Council |
| 2:30-2:45 | Break |
| 2:45-3:45 | Lewis and Clark County Consent Referral System
Drenda Niemann, L&C City-County Health Department, CHD Administrator
Brie Oliver, L&C City-County Health Department
Alexis Molineux-Gibbons, Helena School District |
| 3:45-4:00 | Public Comment |
| 4:00 | Meeting Adjourned |

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Public Comment - in accordance with 2-3-103 (1), MCA, the Department will hold a public comment period. Please note that this is the public's opportunity to address the work of the Best Beginnings Advisory Council

Meeting Notes

8:30-8:45	Welcome and Introductions Larry Wilkerson, Best Beginnings Advisory Council Coordinator <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Great Beginnings, Great Families conference this week was very successful• General housekeeping
8:45-9:30	Updates from the Governor's Office Siri Smilie, Communities and Safety Policy Advisor for Governor Bullock Shannon O' Brien, Education Policy Advisor for Governor Bullock Tara Ferriter-Smith, Early Reading First Specialist, Office of Public Instruction <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Early Edge – awareness campaign• Main Street Montana project (economic development): 1st of 5 pillars is the training and education of the workforce, including early childhood• 3 approaches• Focusing on business leaders helps with legislative support• Emphasis on high quality• Recognition of professionalism <u>Questions and Suggestions/Comments session</u>
9:30-10:00	State Advisory Council Review Patty Butler, Early Childhood Services Bureau Chief Larry Wilkerson, Best Beginnings Advisory Council Coordinator <i>See PowerPoint Presentation for details (Montana Best Beginnings Advisory Council)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ACF 2013 summary of state advisory councils
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10:15-11:00	State Advisory Council Discussion Sarah Corbally, Child and Family Services Division Administrator Patty Butler, Early Childhood Services Bureau Chief <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion with Patty Butler/Sarah Corbally and the council
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3:45-4:00	Public Comment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anna Semple: Missoula's Early Childhood Resource Guide – available on the sign in table • Brie: Victoria – new HMHB director <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PURPLE information on the sign in table ○ New program assistant introduced
4:00	Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting date: October (exact day TBD pending availability at venue for 2-day meeting)